



The Voice of Small Business

MICHIGAN

To: Honorable Members of the Senate Economic Development Committee

From: Charles Owens, State Director

Date: February 23, 2011

RE: House Bill 4158 – Michigan Item Pricing Repeal

We are writing to you concerning House Bill 4158 that would repeal the Consumer Item Pricing Act, Public Act 449 of 1976.

NFIB has no position on this bill and is neutral on the matter of repealing the item pricing statute.

NFIB represents more than 10,000 small businesses in the state of Michigan and approximately 25 percent of these firms are retail establishments. We have been asked by a number of lawmakers for our position on this issue since it was mentioned as a policy item for action by Governor Snyder in his State of the State message.

NFIB establishes its' policy position on issues by a survey-ballot process of our membership. Those surveys are based on the priorities our members have identified as concerns in running their business. We have never surveyed our members on this issue because it has never been identified as a priority concern by them.

Thank you for your support of small business.